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REMARKS

Upon entry of the amendment, Applicant presents claims 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 9, 11, 12, 14, and 17-20 for allowance. Claims 1, 4, 6, 9, 11, 14, and 17 are amended. Claims 3, 5, 8, 10, 13, 15, and 16 are cancelled. The Examiner previously identified claims 5, 6, 10, 11, and 16 –20 as containing allowable subject matter.

Claims 1 and 4 are amended to recite the limitations of allowable claim 5. Claim 2 depends from now-allowable claim 1 and is patentable for at least the reasons set forth in support for claim 1. Claims 6-7 depend from now-allowable claim 4 and are patentable for at least the reasons set forth in support of claim 4.

Claim 9 is amended to recite the limitations of allowable claim 10. Claims 11 and 12 depend from now-allowable claim 10 and are patentable for at least the same reasons set forth in support of claim 9.

Claim 14 is amended to recite the elements of claims 15 and 16. Claims 17-20 depend from now-allowable claim 14 and are patentable for at least the same reasons set forth in support of claim 14.

For all the foregoing reasons, Applicant submits that as amended pending claims 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 9, 11, 12, 14, and 17-20 are fully responsive to the Examiner's conditions for allowance and looks forward to an early and favorable response.

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